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There is no sport in the world more popular than soccer. Any chest-thumping football or basketball fan can try to tell you otherwise, but there is no other sporting event on this planet that will grab the attention of three billion fanatics and subsequently make time stand still more than the FIFA World Cup. Today, the competition four years in the making kicks off from Russia where foreign relations, politics, dictators and war take a backseat to sport. That's how the world should be always, but I'll take a month. Start studying up now, Americans. We're hosting the biggest event of the most beautiful game in 2026.

## LAWMAKER: NO SEX WITH FOREIGN MEN DURING CUP

Russian women should avoid sex with non-white foreign men during the soccer World Cup because they could become single mothers to mixed race children, a senior lawmaker in Moscow said on Wednesday. Even when Russian women marry foreigners the relationships often end badly, said Tamara Pletnyova, head of parliament's committee for families, women and children. Women are often stranded abroad or in Russia but unable to get their children back, she said. She spoke in response to a question from a radio station

about the so-called "Children of the Olympics" after the Moscow Games in 1980, a time when contraception was not widely available in the country. The term was used during the Soviet era to describe non-white children conceived at international events after relationships between Russian women and men from Africa, Latin America, or Asia. Many of the children faced discrimination. "We must give birth to our children. These [mixed race] kids suffer and have suffered since Soviet times," Pletnyova told Govorit Moskva radio station.

## UKRAINIAN DIRECTOR TO CONTINUE HUNGER STRIKE

A Ukrainian film director jailed in Russia on what he says are political charges has promised to press on with a hunger strike that could end his life while Russia is hosting the soccer World Cup. Oleg Sentsov, who has been on hunger strike since May 14, wants to highlight Russia's human rights record at a time when it is in the global spotlight, and also to secure the release of other Ukrainians jailed in Russia. Sentsov views them too as political prisoners, a description Moscow rejects. Human rights activists and Ukrainian politicians hope that President Vladimir Putin

might release Sentsov and others as a good will gesture for the World Cup or as part of a prisoner swap with Kiev, something Putin has so far declined to do. More than 50 writers and figures from the arts world, including novelists Salman Rushdie and Margaret Atwood, have written to Putin asking him to free Sentsov, who has said he is ready to die to bring attention to his case. A Russian military court sentenced Sentsov to 20 years in a maximum security prison in 2015 after finding him guilty of setting fire to two offices in Crimea, including one belonging to Russia's ruling political party.

## RUSSIA'S PSYCHIC CAT ACHILLES PICKS HOME TEAM FOR WORLD CUP OPENER

Want to know who will win the first match of the World Cup? The cat's out of the bag: It's Russia. At least that's the prediction of Achilles, a cat in St. Petersburg reputed to have psychic powers. Offered a choice of two bowls of food, the white feline hesitated before choosing one with the Russian flag, dismissing Saudi Arabia's chances of a win in Moscow on Thursday — a relief to the host nation, considered one of the weakest sides in the tournament despite the home advantage. Achilles, who lives in St. Petersburg's Hermitage Museum, is deaf, something his minders say means he will not be easily distracted by onlookers while making his prediction. They did not say whether the sight of the national flags might sway his choice. The World Cup will be played at venues across Russia until the Final on July 15.



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## NO 'PARTY LIKE A RUSSIAN' FOR ROBBIE WILLIAMS

British pop star Robbie Williams, who will be performing at the World Cup opening ceremony in Moscow on Thursday, said he will not be performing his hit song "Party Like a Russian." Speaking to Reuters on Tuesday after a rehearsal for the show, Williams said he will be performing "a medley, a smorgasbord of my greatest hits" alongside Russian soprano Aida Garifullina. "I would love to do 'Party Like a Russian,'" he said. Williams immediately added: "Actually,

it has nothing to do with not being asked. It's about me doing my biggest hits that are the best known." In the 2016 track, the Brit sings, "It takes a certain kind of man with a certain reputation, to alleviate the cash from a whole entire nation." In the accompanying music video, ballerinas twirl around Williams in a lavish setting. Pro-Kremlin media outlets were critical, suggesting Williams could be snubbed by Russian event organizers because of the song. In response, Williams wrote on Twitter at the time that "this song is definitely not about Mr Putin."

## WORLD CUP SECURITY HAS WAR LINKS TO KREMLIN

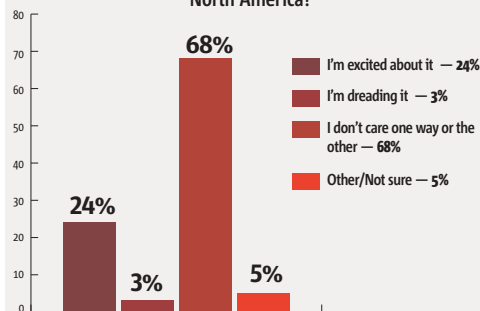
Russian paramilitary units providing security for the soccer World Cup included among their members Cossack fighters who took part in clandestine campaigns in Ukraine and Syria that Kiev and Washington condemn as backed by Moscow. More than 800 members of at least six local Cossack organizations will patrol the streets, fan zones and team bases during the five-week tournament starting on Thursday, according to Cossack leaders and regional officials. In some places in Russia they will also work on match days as stewards or volunteers, the

Cossack commanders said. At least 19 members of these groups have been identified by Reuters as having fought either alongside Moscow-backed separatist rebels in eastern Ukraine or as Kremlin-backed private military contractors in Syria in support of Moscow's ally, President Bashar al-Assad. Reuters identified the fighters and confirmed they belonged to the paramilitary groups through relatives, friends and their fellow Cossacks after they died or were captured. The number would likely be much higher if those who are still alive could be included.

### STATS

## 2026 WORLD CUP

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## NEWS



Rocker Nick Cave has transformed the Park Avenue Armory into an art installation activated by dancing, with a Pride party this Friday. **ALL PHOTOS PROVIDED**

# Loud and proud

Pride Week kicks off today through June 24, and we've got your guide to the must-do events.



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**Immerse yourself in glitter and mystique**  
Synth-pop queen Ariana and the Rose brings together some of her most creative friends for the Pride edition of Light + Space, her immersive galactic dance party at House of Yes, with music by Bright Light Bright Light, Lauren Flax and Seth Kirby, special performances, a glitter makeup bar, interactive characters and more otherworldly fun. *June 14, 2 Wyckoff Ave., Brooklyn, \$15-\$20*

**Party with Nick Cave**  
Rocker Nick Cave just took over the Park Avenue Armory with an art show all about celebrating life through dancing. Join him and other special guests at the Freedom Ball to initiate the exhibit on Thursday night — your most outrageous ensemble is required for a “high-octane evening of fashion, dance, and house music.”

*June 14, 7 p.m., 643 Park Ave., \$25*

**Rewind time to the Pyramid Club**  
Three decades ago, there was no cooler scene than the gay dance parties at the East Village's Pyramid Club. Mixed movement art troupe Theatre C (that's anything from hip-hop to musicals and puppetry) is resurrecting those fetes with 1983, the first in its new series of retro-themed dance parties. Expect mesmerizing visuals, live DJs and queered recreations of '80s music videos. *June 15, The Plaxall Gallery, 5-25 46th Avenue, Long Island City, doors at 9:30 p.m., \$10-\$75, theatrec.org*

**Go to a queer-friendly barbecue**  
The Taproom at 642 Rogers Ave. is throwing an LGBTQIA-friendly cookout in its backyard, with a wide selection of beers and DJ Andro spinning Top 40 all day. Your ticket includes a plate of food (vegetarian options available) and one beer or cider. *June 16, 4 p.m.-midnight, \$15*

**Broadway gets personal**  
More than 30 of Broadway's biggest stars sing from their hearts at Broadway Sings for Pride



to benefit the Tyler Clementi Foundation. Special this year is a reunion performance by the cast of “Hair!”, one of the cornerstones of any queer kid's adolescence. *June 18, 7:30 p.m., The Cutting Room, 44 E. 32nd St., \$30-\$100*

**Meet the world's next drag stars**  
Since opening in 1993, Lucky Cheng's has supported the city's queer and trans artists. The restaurant-style venue has sent three contestants to “RuPaul's Drag Race” and claims Laverne Cox as an alumna. On Monday nights, see the next stars of the drag scene during the club's residency at

Asian hotspot Megu with a three-course meal and drag cabaret. *June 18, first seating at 7:30 p.m., 355 W. 16th St., reservations required, \$65, meguworlwide.com*

**Have your Proudest Day Ever**  
Spend all day at the sexy new Moxy Times Square hotel with a full schedule of activities during its Proudest Day Ever. Start with a walking tour of the West Village with the NYC LGBT Historic Sites Project, seek out the pop-up performances by the evocative Madboots Dance, and wear your most glittering ensemble for a Pride-themed edi-

tion of its Hey Moxy! party from 6 p.m. to midnight, hosted by Ty Sunderland and Drag Queen of the Year Ruby Fox. *June 20, 485 Seventh Ave.*

**Lace up your skates**  
Be part of the only drag show on skates at Prospect Park's Lefrak Center with a live DJ and a cash bar; your ticket includes a skate rental, and you best disco-themed outfit (retro, modern or future) is kindly requested. *June 20, 6-10 p.m., \$20, 171 East Dr., eventbrite.com*

**A night of all LGBTQIA comics**  
Upright Citizens Brigade is bringing together the city's funniest LGBTQIA comedians for a free “Best of Queerball” show. Expect no feather to go unruffled, no modesty to be preserved and no wig untouched. *June 22, 9 p.m., UCB Theatre East Village, 153 E. Third St.*

**Drag Queen Story Hour for grown-ups**  
The important program that brings drag queens to libraries for storytime is a vital way for kids to meet people who are totally different from them in a totally normal setting. But drag queens can also do way more


with children's books in a grown-up setting. The Hudson Bar is hosting two nights of adults-only drag queen storytimes with Marti Cummings and Markus Kelle reading classic bedtime tales, plus singing and standup, while you sip on one of many rainbow cocktails. *June 22 & 23, 9 p.m., 358 W. 58th St., free*

**Friday night is for dancing**  
The Friday before the parade is your time to dance. For the ladies, there's Teaze Her on the roof of The D.L., while gentlemen are welcome at Masterbeat's annual themed party (this year, it's a construction site) at Hammerstein Ballroom.

**The queerest art party in Brooklyn**  
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# NFL, MLB to participate in NYC Pride Parade for first time ever

The 2018 NYC Pride Parade will feature the largest amount of sports league representation in the event's history.



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This year's NYC Pride Parade will make history with the participation of the NFL and MLB in the iconic LGBTQ march.

The NFL and MLB are making their NYC Pride Parade debuts, participating in the march for the first time ever, according to Outsports, an LGBTQ-focused sports news site owned by SB Nation.

The two leagues are registered for the parade alongside the NHL, NBA

and WNBA. Outsports reported. Both leagues will march in the parade and also have floats.



Representatives from Major League Soccer and the National Women's Hockey League will be marching as well, making the 2018 NYC Pride Parade the "largest collection of professional sports leagues ever" for an LGBTQ parade.

Last year, the New York Liberty became the first pro sports team to have a float in the New



Sunday's Pride Parade will be sports-filled, with former Patriots offensive lineman Ryan O'Callaghan (left photo) featured on the NFL's float. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

York City Pride March.

Ryan O'Callaghan, who played for the Kansas City Chiefs and the New England Patriots and publicly came out as gay last year, will be featured on the NFL's

Pride Parade Float, as will Wade Davis who, according to Outsports, "often works closely with the league to further conversations about LGBTQ inclusion."

Katie Sowers, assis-

tant coach to the San Francisco 49ers and the league's first openly gay coach, will be marching within the Outsports group.

LGBTQ athletes will be represented through-

out the celebration. Billie Jean King, a former World No. 1 professional tennis player with 39 Grand Slam titles to her name, is one of the 2018 NYC Pride Parade Grand Marshals.

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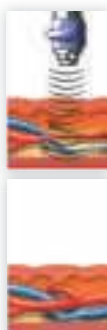
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Gov. Andrew Cuomo leads Cynthia Nixon by 35 points, according to the latest Siena College election poll, released exactly three months ahead of the primary. GETTY IMAGES

# Cuomo maintains huge margin over Nixon in latest poll

The governor leads his Democratic rival by 35 points and Republican contender Marc Molinaro by 19, according to the latest Siena College election poll.



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Gov. Andrew Cuomo leads his rival Cynthia Nixon in the latest Siena College election poll, which was released Wednesday, exactly three months ahead of the state's Democratic primary for governor.

Cuomo also bested Republican contender and Dutchess County Executive Marc Molinaro by 19 points in the poll.

Siena College conducted its latest election poll June 4 to 7 with 745 likely voters in the general election. New York's Democratic primary will take place Sept. 13, with the general election Nov. 6.

"Nixon has a lot of catching up to do to make this race competitive," Siena College pollster Steven Greenberg said. "Cuomo is well-known and well-liked by

**"Nixon has a lot of catching up to do to make this race competitive."**

Siena College pollster  
Steven Greenberg

New York Democrats. Although similar percentages of Democrats view Cuomo and Nixon unfavorably, Cuomo has a significantly larger percentage of Democrats viewing him favorably."

Greenberg also noted that Cuomo leads with male election voters by 31 points, women by 37 points and black voters 74-17 percent.

"Looking ahead to the general election, Molinaro also has a lot of work to do if he wants to be the first Republican to win statewide in 16 years," Greenberg added. "Molinaro has an 18-11 percent favorability rating, with 71 percent of likely voters unable to offer an opinion about him."

In New York City, Cuomo has a 65-point lead over Molinaro "and a 17-point lead in the downstate suburbs, where Republicans have to win — or at least

# 65

In New York City, Gov. Andrew Cuomo holds a 65-point lead over Republican candidate Marc Molinaro, according to Siena's latest poll.

keep it close — to win statewide," the pollster said.

Among registered voters, President Donald Trump's ratings improved to a negative 38-59 percent favorability in the new Siena College poll from negative 31-65 percent in April. His job performance also rose to negative 36-63 percent from negative 27-71 percent in April.

"Although he remains significantly underwater with voters in his home state, Trump has the best favorability and job performance ratings he's had since assuming office," Greenberg said, adding 68 percent of Republicans view him favorably, while 82 percent of Democrats and 54 percent of independents view him unfavorably.



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Seventeen U.S. cities and three cities from both Canada and Mexico will be considered to host games at the 2026 World Cup. GETTY IMAGES

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## USA, Mexico, Canada to co-host the 2026 World Cup

FIFA announced on Wednesday that North America was the winning bid to host the world's largest soccer tournament.



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The United States has eight years to brush up on its soccer knowledge after FIFA announced that the World Cup will be hosted by the country alongside Canada and Mexico in 2026. The North American bid easily beat the one submitted by Morocco by a tally of 134 votes to just 65.

It is the fourth time ever that the tournament will be held in North America. Mexico hosted it twice in 1970 and 1986, while the United States were the 1994 hosts.

This will be the first time that three countries will join together to host the competition, and the 2002 World Cup was the only time that multiple countries, Japan and South Korea, hosted.

The United States will hold the overwhelming majority of the games while Mexico and Canada will host 10 each. Much of that has to do with its existing infrastructure that

includes a plethora of large stadiums in major cities that will attract millions of fans.

The World Cup semifinals and Final are expected to be held in the United States the same year the competition expands its field from 32 to 48 countries.

FIFA's decision-making process for the 2026 World Cup was significantly different after corruption charges during the 2010 selection of the 2018 (Russia) and 2022 (Qatar) hosts. Instead of a 24-man committee, more than 200 member nations held a vote.

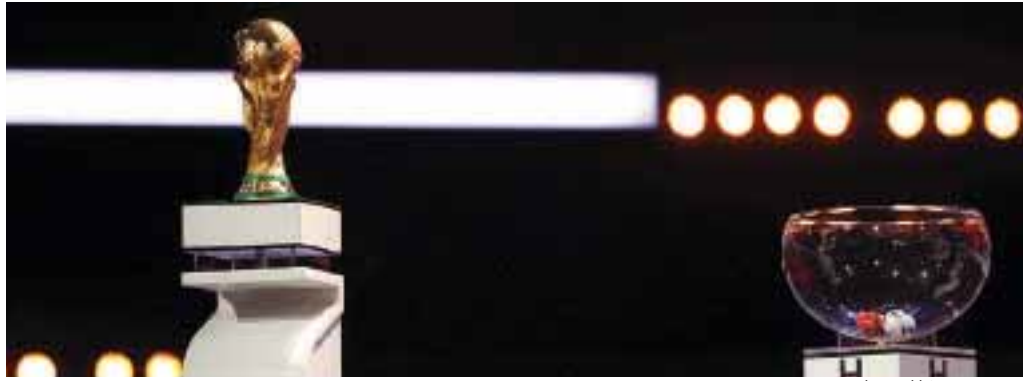
There were some political concerns surrounding the possibility of the United States hosting the tournament. The international perception of President Donald Trump is less than favorable, especially after his travel and immigration policies regarding Muslim countries. But during the delegation process, FIFA president Carlos Cordeiro presented three letters from the White House stating that it would have no bearing on the tournament whatsoever, per The New York Times.

The 2018 World Cup, which kicks off on Thursday in Russia, will feature four Arab nations — Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Tunisia and Morocco.





2026 will be the first time Canada hosts a World Cup event. GETTY IMAGES



The World Cup GETTY IMAGES

### THE NUMBERS

\* The United Bid received 134 votes compared to 65 for Morocco from members of the FIFA Congress. One member voted for "neither bid."

\* The members behind the United Bid pledged that a World Cup in North America would generate an \$11 billion profit.

\* The United Bid also projected that a World Cup

in North America would generate more than \$5 billion in short-term economic activity, including the creation of 40,000 jobs and more than \$1 billion in incremental worker earnings for the candidate host cities and countries.

\* The United Bid projects more than 5.8 million tickets will be sold, generating more than \$2 billion in ticketing revenue.

### VENUES

\* The United Bid has prospective stadiums situated across 23 candidate cities, from which 16 will be selected.

\* The 17 U.S. candidate cities are Atlanta, Baltimore, Boston, Cincinnati, Dallas, Denver, Houston, Kansas City, Los Angeles, Miami,

Nashville, New York/New Jersey, Orlando, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Seattle and Washington.

\* Canada (Edmonton, Montreal and Toronto) and Mexico (Guadalajara, Mexico City and Monterrey) each have three candidate cities.

### PREVIOUS BIDS

1970 - Mexico was chosen ahead of the only other submitted bid from Argentina. The tournament was the first World Cup hosted in North America.

1986 - Mexico became the first nation to stage the tournament twice after they replaced Colombia as the host country when the latter dropped out for financial reasons. The replacement host beat

bids from Canada and the United States.

1994 - The United States beat out Brazil and Morocco for hosting duties after one round of voting. The attendance of nearly 3.6 million remains the highest in World Cup history.

2022 - The United States reached the fourth and final round of voting but lost to Qatar in a 14-8 vote.

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After years of delay, Mayor Bill de Blasio announced that New York City's Styrofoam ban is slated to begin by Jan. 1, 2019. ISTOCK

## City ban on Styrofoam products to begin in January, mayor says

Say good-bye to takeout cartons as the ban on what Mayor de Blasio calls an "environmentally unfriendly substance" goes into effect Jan. 1.



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Takeout is a quintessential part of New Yorkers' lives, but come January, expect to start seeing a lot less of its bulky, non-recyclable aftermath as the city's Styrofoam ban is slated to go into effect Jan. 1, Mayor Bill de Blasio said Wednesday.

The announcement came after a lawsuit to prevent the ban was dismissed last week and means that food-service facilities, manufacturers and stores can no longer have, use or sell single-service Expanded Polystyrene (EPS) foam products like cups, plates or clamshell containers or loose-fill packaging such as packing peanuts in the city.

"New York City's ban on Styrofoam is long overdue, and New Yorkers are ready to start using recyclable alternatives," de Blasio said.

"There's no reason to continue allowing this environmentally unfriendly substance to flood our streets, landfills and waterways."

In a statement, the city said it will work with businesses across the five boroughs to make sure they understand the new law and help them make the transition to replace Styrofoam. There will be a six-month grace period from when the ban starts on Jan. 1 before fines will be imposed.

If able to prove that

**"New York City's ban on Styrofoam is long overdue, and New Yorkers are ready to start using recyclable alternatives."**

Mayor Bill de Blasio

purchasing alternative, non-EPS products would create financial hardship, nonprofits and small businesses earning less than \$500,000 in annual revenue will be able

to apply for exemptions from the Department of Small Business Services. SBS will accept applications for hardship waivers in the fall.

The Styrofoam ban was first passed in December 2013 and slated to go into effect in January 2016, but advocates from the Dart Container Company claimed polystyrene was recyclable, and the Styrofoam ban was overturned in September 2015.

However, the city did its own study and found that the products were not, in fact, able to be recycled in an "economically feasible or environmentally effective" way.

"In dismissing a lawsuit that sought to block this important environmental initiative, the court recognized that the city's determination to ban food service foam products was 'a painstakingly studied decision' and 'was in no way rendered arbitrarily or capriciously,'" said Corporation Counsel Zachary W. Carter. "The court has cleared the way for the city to begin its outreach to businesses so they are aware of and can prepare for the law's specific requirements before any enforcement occurs."





Cohen believes he hasn't gotten enough support from President Trump. GETTY IMAGES

## Attorneys for Trump lawyer Cohen to end representation: Source

Michael Cohen, former personal lawyer for President Donald Trump, is expected to part ways with attorneys handling the criminal investigation into his business dealings, a person familiar with the matter told Reuters.

Cohen's lawyers Stephen Ryan and Todd Harrison of McDermott, Will & Emery LLP, a Washington and New York firm, are expected to complete a review of documents seized by federal prosecutors in an April raid on Cohen's home and office. The court has set a Friday deadline for completion of the review.

Cohen will hire other counsel once the review is complete, the person familiar with the matter told Reuters on condition of anonymity. Cohen wants to hire a lawyer who has a relationship with the U.S. prosecutor's office in Manhattan, the source added.

Cohen did not respond to calls and texts seeking comment. Ryan and Harrison did not respond to questions about the expected legal change, which was first reported by ABC News. The criminal probe into Cohen's business dealings stems in part from a referral by Special Counsel Robert Mueller, who is investigating whether Trump's

# 3.7M

Roughly 3.7 million files were seized in the Cohen raid and are being reviewed to determine which ones may be subject to attorney-client privilege.

2016 campaign colluded with Russia to influence the U.S. presidential election.

Trump has repeatedly said there was no collusion, and Russia has denied interference. Cohen has not been criminally charged, but a source familiar with the investigation told Reuters in April that federal prosecutors in New York are investigating him for possible bank and tax fraud, and for possible campaign law violations connected with a payment to a porn actress and matters concerning foreign support of Trump's 2016 campaign.

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has appointed a special master to vet claims of privilege.

It was not clear what the planned change in attorneys might mean for Cohen's legal strategy.

The probe has taken a toll on Cohen, who has expressed worries about the financial burden of mounting a legal defense against federal prosecutors with extensive resources, according to a friend who spoke with Cohen in the past few days.

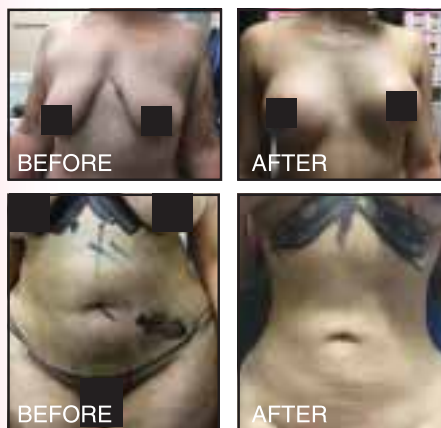
The friend, who spoke on condition of anonymity, also told Reuters that Cohen has complained that he does not feel he has received enough support from Trump in dealing with the situation.

Cohen has admitted that he made a \$130,000 payment shortly before the 2016 election to porn star Stormy Daniels, who has said she had sex with Trump in 2006 and was paid to keep quiet about it. Cohen did not acknowledge the payment until after it became public through media reports.

Legal experts have said the payment could amount to a violation of campaign finance law, which requires public disclosure of expenses meant to influence the election.

Trump has said he never had an affair with Daniels. **REUTERS**

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# Kanye's album 'Ye' hits No. 1 on Billboard chart

If embracing President Trump was a publicity stunt, it worked for Yeezy.

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Cozying up to President Trump has paid off for Kanye West, whose latest album just hit No. 1 on the Billboard 200, bringing him one step closer to a record.

West's "Ye" is his eighth No. 1 album on the chart; he and Eminem are now tied for the second-most hip-hop albums to hit the top spot. "Only Jay-Z is ahead of them, as he owns 14 chart-toppers,"

says Billboard. "Among all acts, The Beatles have the most No. 1s, with 19."

Breaking a long silence, West returned to Twitter on April 25 to announce the new album was due. He didn't waste time in stirring up controversy, calling Trump his "brother" and tweeting "you don't have to agree with trump but the mob can't make me not love him." West also tweeted a claim that he and Trump share "dragon energy," a picture of a #MAGA hat signed by Trump, a screenshot of Trump retweeting West, and the complaint "Obama was in office for eight years and nothing in Chicago changed."

West also shared a se-

ries of bizarre videos by "Dilbert" creator Scott Adams, which claim that racism is not a problem and can be overcome by positive thinking. This attracted retweets and positive comments from the far right.

The reaction to West's tweetstorms was largely negative. Snoop Dogg posted an Instagram message that West had gone "all white." John Legend and Chrissy Teigen got in an extended Twitter tussle with West, and Dr. Phil said the musician was empowering white supremacists. "#shallwesavehim" inquired Samuel L. Jackson on Twitter.

But "Ye" has apparently overcome that kerfuffle and some de-



Even Dr. Phil trashed Kanye's controversial tweets, saying the hip-hop star's empowering white supremacists. GETTY IMAGES

cidedly mixed reviews. On Wednesday, its Metacritic average was 65 out of 100, with Spin calling it "crudely formed" and The

405 labeling it "an ambitious misfire."

"Kanye West has always been a troll but there was once an empowering,

heroic quality to his narcissism," complained Now magazine, calling "Ye" the product of "self-destructive celebrity."



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## Brooklyn bakery shows its Pride

You might know Dana's Bakery for perfecting the subtle art of the macaron, those finicky icons of French elegance in the pastry world. Dana Pollack is the creative force behind the bakery, which pumps out monthly makeovers of the classic macarons, including fun youthful flavors like churro, fruity cereal, peach Bellini and Thin Mint.

But Pollack and her bakery can do far more than that, and their rainbow dessert released for Pride Month 2018 is proof.

Meet the rainbow black-and-white cookie, equal parts Pride and New York tradition. That's what makes it so perfect for everyone celebrating Pride Month in the city. New York is imbued with LGBTQ+ history, so it's only fitting that a perfect celebratory sweet capture both the city and the community. "The black-and-white cookie is an iconic New

York dessert that I grew up eating," Pollack said about the invention of this colorful cookie. "It's one of my favorites and it was about time that we put that Dana's Bakery twist on it," she added of the decision to dye it with the rainbow hues.

Like the classic, Dana's black-and-white cookie is iced with

and rice flours, making it gluten-free friendly and kosher — but regular eaters won't know the difference.

Eager to stock up to share with friends and fellow revelers during NYC's Pride Parade? (That sugar rush can help you power through the celebrations and the crowds well into the evening.) The rainbow black-and-white cookies from Dana's Bakery, thanks to their instant popularity, are here to stay. That means there's no rush to get them during Pride Month 2018, although they're well worth the effort.

The cookies are available at Dana's shop-in-shop at Dylan's Candy Bar as well as her Williamsburg North 3rd Street Market location when it opens on Tuesday, June 19. Each cookie will cost \$3.50. You can also order them online through [danabakery.com](http://danabakery.com).

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fondant and chocolate fondant and features a subtle pop of citrus thanks to a hint of lemon hiding in the treat. Beneath that, you'll find the traditional vanilla cookie. Unlike the cookie you know from around New York, however, this one's tinted the vivid colors of the rainbow and is made with a special blend of potato



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By Matt Edgar

America's Health Writer

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### What Is This

#### Treatment And How Does It Work?

If you are suffering with knee (or other joint) arthritis and pain, you are not alone. Degenerative joint disease or "arthritis" affects 21 mil-lion Americans and typically involves the weight bearing joints – like your knees. According to the American College of Rheumatology, nearly 70% of people over the age of 70 have x-ray evidence of the disease (and the ranks of much younger victims of this progressive disorder continue to grow significantly).

**The worst thing is:** Arthritis can be devastating. The pain can keep you up at night and make getting out of bed and moving around a daunting task. The pain and stiffness can suck all the happiness and joy right out of your life

And up until now, treatment options have not been that good...

or that appealing to most patients. The basic protocol has been a steady diet of toxic pain pills until your joints completely wear out and then it's time to surgically replace the knee joint.

### But Now Things Have Changed

Osteoarthritis is a joint disease that mostly affects the cartilage. Cartilages the tissue that covers the ends on bones in a joint. When healthy, cartilage allows bones to glide smoothly over one another and acts as a shock absorber. Your "normal" knee also contains a small amount of fluid called synovial fluid. This synovial fluid is a thick, gel-like solution that cushions and lubricates the joint—much like oil lubricates the engine of your car.

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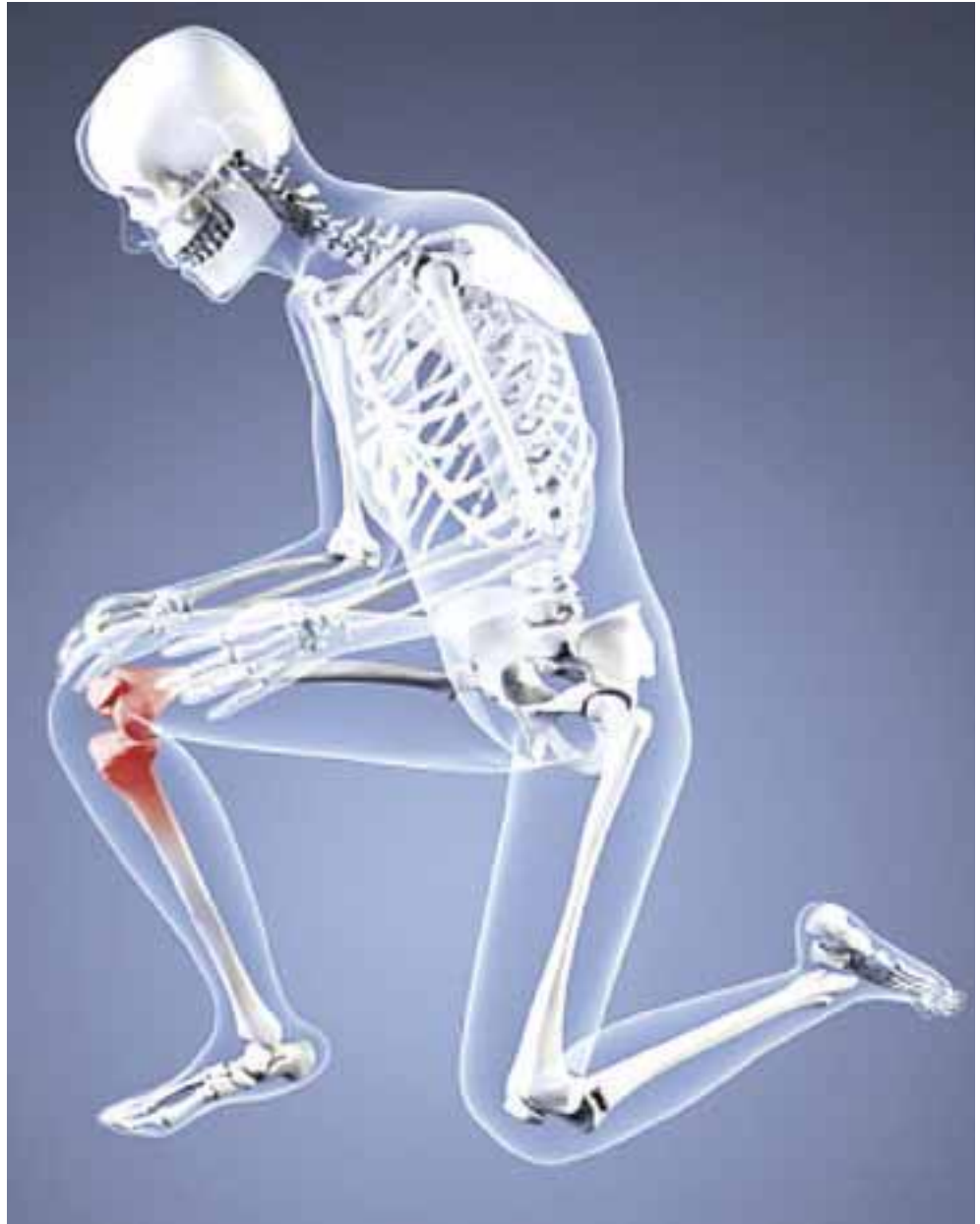
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Pat King  
Grumble Editor

Today, we have to get a little Grumble housekeeping out of the way. In the past, we've awarded five readers \$25 gift cards for their submissions to the Grumble. As much as we loved handing out all of that bounty week-by-week, we here at Grumble HQ decided to make this a little more competitive by choosing only one winner a week from now on.



Grumblers: Sound off! iStock

Don't get us wrong, this makes it much harder for us as you guys have been delivering the goods. No question about it. So — with all of that being said — here is

this week's winning Grumble: **Metro US reader Alison Forde** and her rallying cry against women who leave "tendrils of hair in the sink" and forget to

wipe the seats in the bathrooms at her office. Congratulations! You've earned the Grumble of the week and a \$25 gift card to Amazon.

#### READER WRITE-INS:

##### NEWSPAPER BOX OR GARBAGE/TRASH CAN?

I'm very annoyed when I come across a free community newspaper box for a publication that I'm interested in reading, only to discover, upon opening the box, that it is filled with garbage/trash instead. Sometimes I don't even have to open the box because I can see that it is overflowing with litter.

Throughout the city, distributors of these free community newspapers have abandoned boxes that are being used as garbage/trash receptacles. Unfortunately the abandonment of these boxes have made it more difficult for people to find copies of these publications and has resulted in what have become eyesores and unsanitary fixtures in the neighborhoods in which the

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boxes are located.  
- Sharon Gerber, Metro Philly reader

**GIVE 'CASH ONLY' RESTAURANTS A BREAK!**  
The complaints about cash-only restaurants is annoying. I think restaurants are cash only in order to avoid the high cost that credit/debit card companies charge businesses.  
- Gloria Rohlf, Metro Philly reader

Grumble editor: Touché!

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The winning caption from Joshua Richard, Metro Boston reader

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**Aries** Learn all you can about someone before you open up about your personal life or intentions. Don't let anyone put demands or pressure on you. Implement a healthier lifestyle.



**Taurus** Don't make an unnecessary change. The cost will turn out to be far greater than what your budget can handle. Avoid unpredictable or argumentative individuals.



**Gemini** Listen carefully to what's being asked of you before you agree. Don't let someone from your past disrupt your personal or financial interests. Joint ventures are best avoided.



**Cancer** If you get creative and do things differently, you'll be surprised at the response you get. An open mind will help you bypass negativity. Bring joy into your life.



**Leo** Listen and respond from the heart. Being true to yourself and your beliefs will make your life easier. Don't let clutter and past problems hold you back.



**Virgo** Look at what you can accomplish, not at what you cannot. If you focus on friends, family and finding out all you can about your heritage, it will change how you move forward.



**Libra** You know what you must do, so stop procrastinating and start tying up loose ends. The less you leave undone, the fewer complaints you will face.



**Scorpio** You know what you must do, so stop procrastinating and start tying up loose ends. The less you leave undone, the fewer complaints you will face.



**Sagittarius** Someone will present something that sounds good, but get the lowdown and consider the consequences before you decide to get involved. Joint ventures aren't in your best interest.



**Capricorn** Sink your teeth into something you find mentally stimulating. What you discover will help you broaden your horizons and encourage you to make serious plans.



**Aquarius** Don't feel you must do things in a big way to get noticed. Your ability to innovate and stick to a budget will make a difference.



**Pisces** Confusion will set in when it comes to emotional matters. Set the record straight if someone gets the wrong impression. Personal improvements should be considered. Love is on the rise. EUGENIA LAST



## LIFESTYLE



The Netflix rom-com debuts this weekend. ALL PHOTOS K C BAILEY / NETFLIX

# Why Glen Powell knew Zoey Deutch was perfect for 'Set It Up'

The Netflix rom-com had many different guises during its development.

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Glen Powell first read the script for "Set It Up" three years ago, and he has been pining to make the romantic-comedy ever since.

Much has changed during this time, though. Powell and Emilia Clarke were originally supposed to be the two underpaid, overworked assistants that hatch a plan to match-make their two bosses so they can have some much-needed spare time. Instead, Clarke was called off to a galaxy far, far away for Han Solo. But rather than fretting, Powell explained to Metro that he immediately knew who to turn to.

*"We'd always talked about doing a rom-com together, because that was like the most no-brainer thing if you had seen the two of us in a room."*  
Glen Powell

"Zoey Deutch and I had worked on 'Everybody Wants Some' together. We really hit it off," Powell says. "We'd always talked about doing a rom-com together, because that was like the most no-brainer thing if you had seen the



Creating great chemistry wasn't a problem for Glen Powell and Zoey Deutch.

two of us in a room."

Powell is well aware that even though he might have originally suggested her, Deutch's charm, presence, comedic talent and patter was what really landed her the part of Harper.

"For any given role it always takes a village to make the movie," he says. "In no way am I respon-

sible for getting Zoey this movie. She is extremely talented. I was very vocal definitely about her being the right choice."

"No. 1 she was so perfect for the role, and No. 2 I had worked with her before, and I knew the chemistry was going to be there," Powell adds. "In a romantic-comedy, if the chemistry is not there you

are dead in the water."

The chemistry was so free-flowing and apparent that shooting "Set It Up" sometimes "felt like a documentary" for Powell.

"Zoey and I literally fight and banter exactly in real life like it is in the movie," Powell says. "If it looks effortless it is because it was effortless. We do fight like brother and

sister in a great way. She is wonderful and I hope to do many more movies with her."

Powell was so aware of what Deutch was bringing to "Set It Up" that, after noticing how fun and optimistic her portrayal was, he decided to "play off of that," making Charlie much more cynical and that he "operated out of fear and not making mistakes." Even though that's a role he doesn't usually play, he "thought it was very important for the movie."

"We worked with Claire to massage the script," Powell says. "That was really less about changing any of the stuff that made it great, but more about when me and Zoey were in the room together making sure the dialogue plays to all of our strengths comedically and emotionally."

"Set It Up" debuts on Netflix on June 15.

The boys of "Queer Eye" are back. ALL PHOTOS NETFLIX



# 'Queer Eye' is the television show America *needs*

Season two of the hit show debuts this week on Netflix.

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Let's face it, Netflix's "Queer Eye" reboot could've gone either way.

For years, viewer appetites leaned toward reality shows that rewarded nastiness and narcissism, where contestants elbowed each other out of frame in pursuit of their five minutes of fame. And yet, shot in the Deep South in a post-Obama world, "Queer Eye's" overriding tone of kind-

ness and acceptance struck a cord with audiences.

The people being made over were relatable, and there was a sense the new hosts weren't just slapping a coat of paint on the walls and dressing a pig in a wig for the cameras. They seemed to care about the people who's

lives they were meddling with.

The new Fab Five — Jonathan, Karamo, Antoni, Tan and Bobby — suddenly made kindness cool again, but most of all, it was fun. Viewers watched an episode and felt good about the world.

The much-anticipated season two has

evolved the brand again, with the show's first trans and female makeovers. Shot back to back with season one, season two retains the same energy and optimism that made the first so charming.

Part of what has made "Queer Eye" work is how much of their own story the hosts

have been willing to share. While the stand-out moment of season one was undoubtedly Karamo's discussion with a white policeman about his teenage son being afraid of getting his license, this season it's Bobby's story of being shunned by his church and family for being gay.

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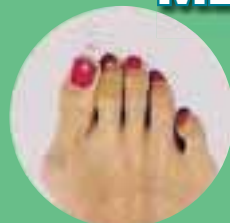


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Kindness and compassion are at the heart of this rebooted reality series.

In a candid discussion with church elder Tammye, the show's first female makeover (who also initially struggled with her son coming out), Bobby recalls "begging god not to be gay." During filming, he quietly refuses to enter the church where Tammye is an usher, standing a little broken by the door. The episode is deeply enriched for his honest, raw vulnerability.

However, episode five is the most groundbreaking of the season. It opens with gut-wrenching footage of a trans-man having top-surgery-the removal of his breasts-and the audience watch alongside the "Queer Eye" team as Skyler, groggy from

surgery, sees himself for the first time.

Skyler's story shows just how diverse the LGBTQ experience is, offering insight into the emotional toll, physical complications and huge financial burden of being a trans person with a level of sincerity that a show like "I Am Cait" could never manage. To their credit, the Fab Five own up to their own lack of awareness, carefully articulating the question most audiences would ask: why would someone put themselves through this?

It's moving, educational and empathetic-if you only watch one episode, this is it.

Of course, most episodes are light, and for

viewers, there are some genuine, fist-pumping moments as lovers connect, fathers shine, and people embrace change. It's clear that most people who appear on the show seem better for the experience, and what's most remarkable is that viewers are better for taking the journey with them.

It's a fine balance, but "Queer Eye" manages to explore important issues of gender, identity, race religion and sexuality in modern America, both educating and entertaining audiences without alienating them. "Queer Eye" is the TV show America needs, and like season one, there's no doubt viewers will tune in.



"Queer Eye" is the show this country needs right now.



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# How 'Deep State' compares to 'Game of Thrones'

Joe Dempsie opens up about the similarities between the two series.



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Joe Dempsie was well and truly thrown in the deep end when he joined "Deep State."

The action-espionage thriller revolves around Mark Strong's retired MI6 agent returning to the Middle East to find Dempsie's missing field agent, who also happens to be his son. That meant the actor had to undergo plenty of training, all of which he had to complete in just a week.

"I was actually in Los Angeles a week before production when I got the call to join the show," Dempsie tells Metro. "Immediately I was out in Mo-



"GOT" star Joe Dempsie shows off his espionage skills in "Deep State." FOX EUROPE & AFRICA

rocco about to start on it. It all happened quite fast.

"I had used guns in various shows and films before. In terms of the technical side of things, that's what you really want to get right, and what really runs true," he adds. "You want those who have done it to think

it is really legitimate. And that's mostly down to how you move and hold weapons and how you clear a room."

Sadly for Dempsie, after completing this intense training routine, the first week of production was even more brutal.

"In the first week of shooting, Mark Strong wasn't available, so it was heavily stacked to me and Karima," Dempsie admits. "So I had a scene in Farsi, one in Arabic, Karima and I had a sex scene, and we had known each other about five days, and I think there was an action

scene in there as well."

Dempsie was still able to see the positive side of it, though.

"While it was exhausting, I was really thankful at the end of it that it had panned out that way, because I felt like I had a taste of every element the role required," Dempsie says. "No week after that was as tricky as that. That was a great thing about the show. It was demanding of its actors and its crew. There aren't scenes where people don't speak English for no reason, we're out in the Middle East and we talk the talk."

Such bold creative decisions were made by its creators Matthew Parkhill and Robert Connolly and approved by Fox Europe and Africa in the hope that "Deep State" would be able to go toe-to-toe with the best that television has to offer. Plus,

since it was the first original commission of Fox Europe and Africa the company wanted it to make a big impression.

Of course, as the key character of Gendry on "Game Of Thrones," Dempsie is well accustomed to working on a show of such scale. In fact, Dempsie even sees some similarities between "Deep State" and HBO's monstrously successful fantasy epic.

"Deep State" comes along on that same stream," Dempsie says. "It is ambitious, it looks stunning, it is complex, it doesn't spoon feed its audience, it is something you have to pay attention to. TV like 'Deep State' might not have been possible maybe five, definitely 10 years ago."

"Deep State" debuts on Epix Sunday, June 17, at 9 p.m.

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# Last-minute Father's Day gifts on Amazon

Don't forget to get dad something nice! KATELYN CHEF

No, the calendar isn't deceiving you. Father's Day is this Sunday, June 17. Didn't have time to shop for Dad? No worries, we have the perfect

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Starting today, it's all about the 2018 World Cup, and we've rounded up the watch parties to catch all the action.



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No, the U.S. didn't get a spot among the 32 playoff slots for the 2018

World Cup, but for the next month you'll still be hearing a lot about soccer. So pick a team and cheer them on from June 14 through July 15 at the best bars to watch the World Cup in New York City.

### Clinton Hall Williamsburg

The growing chain of craft beer emporium Clin-

ton Hall, with its all-burger menu, giant games and viral desserts, just opened its first Brooklyn outpost. Located on the rooftop of the Pod Hotel, Clinton Hall Williamsburg will open in time for kickoff at 8 a.m. each day of the Cup, showing all the games with drink specials (at all locations, though they won't open early) including \$5 Bitburgers and \$20 Modelo/Corona buckets. 247 Metropolitan Ave., Brooklyn

### Casa Lever Gardens

For a classier watching experience (with great Milanese food and fancy cocktails), head to Casa Lever Gardens. The restaurant just underwent a major design revamp — the better to showcase its impressive collection of Andy Warhol silkscreens — and will screen the World Cup on its outdoor lounge. There's also a special menu of bite-size game day foods and international beers. 390 Park Ave.

### Threes Brewing

Weekday matches start with coffee and pastries at 7 a.m., with beer sales kicking off at 11 a.m. at Threes Brewing in Gowanus. The Meat Hook counter opens at 12:30 p.m. for lunch, serving a sausage from each country playing in the 2

p.m. game. On weekends, doors open at 8 a.m. for coffee and 10 a.m. for the rest. Weekdays are first come, first served seating; on weekends, reserve a table for food and unlimited drinks. 333 Douglass St., Brooklyn

### Dog Haus

California's craft hot dog sensation Dog Haus just opened in SoHo, with a giant screen in the center of the dining room and plenty of tables to watch all the action. In addition to the perfect stadium food (as well as burgers), you'll find a good selection of craft beers — and it's always happy hour during games. Raffles for items like signed jerseys, dinners and trips also add to the excitement. 62 Spring St.

### DUMBO

The DUMBO Business Improvement District is reprising its popular outdoor screenings, first at the Sands Street Plaza (73 Sands St.) from June 14 to July 6 on an 80-inch screen, complete with "grass" for viewers to spread out on and nearby restaurants delivering to your seat. Then catch the semifinals (July 10 and 11) and finals (July 15) at the Manhattan Bridge Archway on a super-size screen. Various vendors

will be cooking food for purchase both games.

### The Soccer Republic

This Theater District bar does justice to its name, with jerseys from dozens of clubs on its walls and fun crowds on game days. There's limited seating, but you'll want to be

### Brooklyn Tap House

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### Mustang Harry's

Midtown's newly renovated Irish sports hub Mustang Harry's is launching breakfast just in time for the World Cup's 8 a.m. games through June 24 (after which the earliest games will be at 10 a.m.) With dozens of TVs around the two-story space, you won't miss a moment of the action. To get in on giveaways and specials throughout the tournament, download the Swing app. 352 Seventh Ave.



standing anyway — fans chant the whole game as if you were in the stadium. 251 W. 51st St.

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# Relive the golden age of cutting hair

Stylist to the stars Arthur Rubinoff is showing off his relics with the NYC Barber Shop Museum.

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Men's grooming is a changing art, and one that like so many others used to be more glamorous — and a bit more dangerous.

Arthur Rubinoff had the trade handed down to him. The men in his family have been cutting hair and giving straight-razor shaves since his great-great-grandfather, who claims to have started Uzbekistan's first cut-and-shave shop.

Rubinoff, 43, has been plying his trade on the Upper West Side since his family immigrated when he was a teenager. His clientele even boasts a handful of celebrities including Bruce Willis and Tony



The NYC Barber Shop Museum opens Friday at 290 Columbus Ave. PROVIDED

Danza. But the tools, skills and technology would be foreign to his forefathers.

So to preserve its history, Rubinoff created the New York City Barber Shop Museum, a tribute to the art of gentlemen's grooming, opening June 15.

"You know why God created the day with 24 hours?" Rubinoff says in

response to the question of why he's opening the museum. "Eight hours to sleep, eight hours to work, and eight hours to educate and help others."

Among the many artifacts in his gold-trimmed room are trays of wicked-looking blades by Wilkinson Sword and Gillette no longer used by modern barbers, antique barber

poles, vintage signs and a Koch barber chair dating to 1929 looking very much like the one James Dean made famous. "I'm trying to have that authenticated," Rubinoff says.

The museum is also a tribute to his late father, who passed away in 2003. "My father was always buying this antique stuff," says Rubinoff. "I

asked him one day, 'Why are you buying all this old stuff?' He joked with me and said, 'I don't know, maybe one day I will open a barber museum.'"

After his father's death, Rubinoff took up his hobby. "Then one day, my wife and mother were screaming at me, 'What are you going to do with all this old stuff?'"

When a space came open opposite his barber shop at West 74th Street and Columbus Avenue, the museum started to come together. It's going to be a living piece of history, too, with grooming services, haircuts and shaves offered in a retro cool atmosphere recalling America's Gilded Age — literally, in the case of Rubinoff's gold-plated scissors.

The museum is free to visit, only charging for the grooming services that will be performed by Rubinoff and a rotating cast of professional friends from the city and abroad. "I hope to make the barber shop a non-profit," he says. "People can donate, that would be appreciated."

**The NYC Barber Museum is located at 290 Columbus Ave. It's open "casual hours" Sat-Mon; Tues 10:30 a.m.-9 p.m., Wed 10 a.m.-8 p.m., Thurs 11 a.m.-11 p.m. and Fri 10 a.m.-7 p.m.**



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Now that summer is officially here, you can start planning those vacations you have been thinking about all winter. But before you start packing all of your necessities, have you brushed up on some of the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) airport regulations that went into effect back in February? It might be a good time to double check to make sure that you pack travel-size items before you have a rude awakening at check-in.

## Travel-size liquids

The TSA is probably being the most strict — and rightfully so — with any liquids that passengers choose to bring on planes in their carry-ons. These liquids must be regulated to a certain size and kept in see-through bags to be taken out and sent through the scanner

before passengers can board.

According to new TSA regulations, a passenger is only allowed to pack "a quart-sized bag of liquids, aerosols, gels, creams and pastes in your carry-on bag and through the checkpoint."

This see-through bag can only contain liquids that are limited to “travel-sized containers that are 3.4 ounces (100 milliliters) or less per item. Placing these items in the small bag and separating from your carry-on baggage facilitates the screening process. Pack items that are in containers larger than 3.4 ounces or 100 milliliters in checked baggage.”

## What about food?

Well, it really depends on what you are looking to bring to and from your vacation. You can pretty much pack anything in your checked bags. But where it gets tricky is with your carry-ons. For instance, you can bring anything solid — bread, cookies, etc. — but if there is anything that is a little less than solid, it

must adhere to the 3.4 ounces rule or you will be forced to toss it in the trash. That includes chocolate, soft cheeses or any spreadable dips.

So basically — bear with me — the sky's the limit for whatever kinds of solid foods you would want to bring onto a plane through your checked luggage. However, there are special instructions for perishable foods like meat. If you are planning on bringing meat with you — either through your carry-on or your checked luggage — you will need to keep it cool with unmelted ice packs in a separate cooling container.

There is a catch, however. These ice packs will be checked by TSA agents and if they see that these packs are partially unfrozen and have leaked to the bottom of the container, the food will be tossed. You can choose to pack meat with dry ice as a part of your checked luggage but you may only use 5 pounds' worth. So, if you were freezing those New York strips with 6 pounds of dry ice in your checked luggage, you'd better think again.



## SPORTS

# What to watch for at the 2018 FIFA World Cup



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## MESSI'S LEGACY

Argentina's Lionel Messi is one of the undisputed gods of soccer due to his overwhelming success with Spanish club Barcelona.

However, the talisman has been unable to achieve any sort of major international success with his home nation. With this being Messi's final World Cup, his legacy is on the line. How can he be considered the greatest ever, better than Pele, if he is unable to deliver Argentina with its first World Cup title in 32 years?



## CHANGE IN SPAIN

It's been a whirlwind of a past 48 hours for the Spanish national team, who is expected to make a deep run in Russia. Manager Julen Lopetegui, who took over for 2010 World Cup winner Vicente del Bosque two years ago, was revealed as the new manager of Real Madrid yesterday.

His actions enraged the RFEF so much that he was sacked just days before Spain's Group B opener against rivals Portugal.

Fernando Hierro, who was working as an administrator with the RFEF, will take over as manager. The 50-year-old represented the country as a player in the 1990, 1994 and 1998 World Cups.



## BRAZIL'S REDEMPTION

Brazil is the most successful nation when it comes to the World Cup with five titles to its name and considered the gold standard when it comes to playing on the international stage.

However, Brazil comes into the 2018 World Cup with the lingering stench of a semifinal beatdown at the hands of Germany four years ago in their very own country.

The Germans embarrassed Brazil with a 7-1 victory on their way to the World Cup title. But Brazil is back with a healthy Neymar and an improved defense which once again makes them a favorite to do well this summer.



## SALAH'S SHOULDER

Mohamed Salah single-handedly delivered Egypt to its first World Cup Finals in 28 years, but his status for the competition, along with his country's hopes, are in jeopardy.

The talented Liverpool man dislocated his shoulder in the Champions League Final against Real Madrid and it is still unclear if he will be able to take part in the tournament or not. Egypt's first game is Friday in Group A action against Uruguay.



## AFTER REVIEW...

For the first time ever at the World Cup, Video Assistant Refereeing will be used to ensure that all close plays are judged correctly.

World Cup officials have been instructed to keep their flags down on close offsides decisions and fans will be shown replays on scoreboards during the game.

Along with offsides calls, VAR will also be used on goals, red cards and ensuring the right player is assessed a foul.

In a rowdy environment that Russia is sure to supply, making sure the correct calls prevail is paramount to the success of the competition.



## MEET THE NEW GUYS

Russia will welcome two World Cup debutants in Iceland and Panama, two nations that have never made it this far on the international stage.

Panama's qualification came at the expense of the United States, the Americans finishing just one point behind them and Honduras for the final spots out of CONCACAF.

Iceland is the smallest nation that has ever taken part in a World Cup Finals with just 335,000 inhabitants. The European nation became the darlings of the world after a Cinderella run to the quarterfinals in Euro 2016.



## CAN GERMANY REPEAT?

If the last four World Cups are indicative of anything, it's that Germany is going to go far in this year's competition.

Since 2002, Germany hasn't finished worse than third at the World Cup and won the whole thing in 2010, defeating Lionel Messi and Argentina.

Behind Toni Kroos, Mesut Ozil and Thomas Muller, it would be more of a shock if the Germans didn't advance to at least the quarterfinals this year.



## MEXICO'S CURSE

With no United States in the World Cup this year, Mexico will be the favorite of many Americans.

Unlike the stars and stripes, Mexico has been incredibly consistent in this competition, making the Round of 16 in each of the last six tournaments.

The problem is, El Tri has been unable to go any further, their last trip to the quarterfinals coming in 1986 when it hosted.

In order to do so, it will have to navigate a tricky Group F that contains Germany and Sweden.



# Egypt hopeful on Mohamed Salah as fans remain in suspense for his return

The star's status remains unknown for Egypt's opener against Uruguay.

Egypt coach Hector Cuper said Mohamed Salah had a "great chance" of playing against Uruguay but no decision would be taken until Thursday's training session as the Pharaohs flew into Yekaterinburg for the start of their World Cup campaign.

"I am optimistic that he will be with us, I think he has a great chance to participate, he has been training with the ball and his condition has improved compared to the last days," Cuper said on Facebook.

Ihab Lehet, the national team manager, told Reuters by phone: "The medical staff will

provide a comprehensive report on the condition of Salah tomorrow and the coach will not rush in his decision."

Salah left the field in tears after sustaining a shoulder ligament injury while playing for Liverpool in last month's Champions League final loss to Real Madrid.

Since then, Egypt's fans have been tortured by the possibility that their first appearance in the World Cup finals for 28 years could be ruined by the loss of their biggest star, who netted 44 goals for Liverpool in his first season.

"We cried with him," said Samy Mikhail, an Egyptian Australian from Sydney who predicted that Egypt without Salah would suffer the same fate as Liverpool against Real.

"Without him, Liverpool collapsed. Egypt de-

pends on him so much... If he gets injured again, it's over."

Mikhail and his nine-year-old son, Luke, were among several dozen Egyptians who cheered and chanted Salah's name as the players arrived at their Yekaterinburg hotel on Wednesday evening.

But some fans interviewed at the hotel and the airport were cautious about bringing Salah back from injury too soon.

"He's very important and I don't think we should risk him in the first match. It is better to let him rest. Our performance will be 60-70 percent without him," said one supporter, Mohamed Mohsen.

"He's a hero to the nation and you wouldn't want to risk his health going forward. It's a big loss if he doesn't play



Salah, as a member of Liverpool, suffered a shoulder injury in May's Champions League final loss to Real Madrid. GETTY IMAGES

but he's really loved in Egypt and nobody would want to see him hurt," said another, Mohamed Shehata.

Whether he plays or not, there is no doubting the commitment of

the Egypt fans who have traveled from around the world to Yekaterinburg, 1,100 miles east of Moscow.

"It took 44 hours to come over here," said Mohamed Kemal from

Houston, Texas. "And I am here for the team and we are going to be very loud in the stadium on Friday."

Egypt play Uruguay in the opening Group A game on Friday. REUTERS

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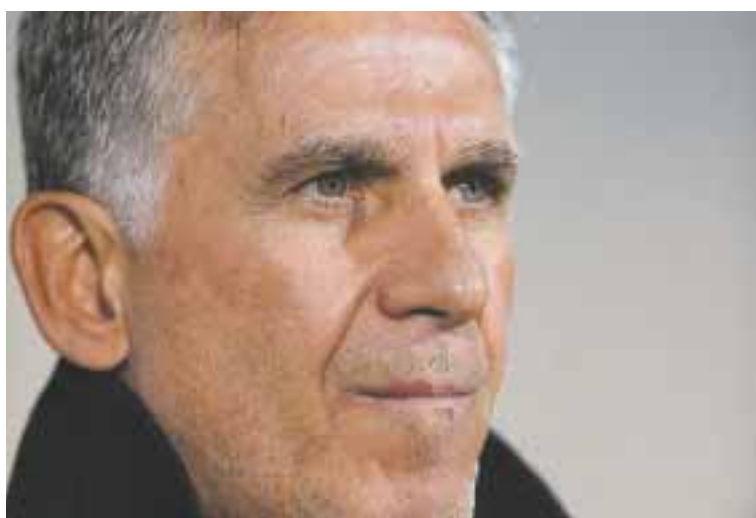
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## Iran's head coach Queiroz slams Nike over World Cup shoes



Queiroz called Nike's comments "unnecessary." GETTY IMAGES

Iran coach Carlos Queiroz has called on Nike to apologize to his team after the sportswear firm said it could not supply the players with soccer shoes for the World Cup due to sanctions.

"U.S. sanctions mean that, as a U.S. company, Nike cannot supply shoes to players in the Iranian

National team at this time," Nike had said in a statement.

Queiroz, whose side faces Morocco in their Group B opener on Friday, said it was an unnecessary statement and asked FIFA to help.

"It has been a source of inspiration for us," Queiroz told Sky Sports.

"This last comment of Nike was, in my personal view, an unnecessary statement. Everybody is aware about the sanctions.

"They should come out and apologize because this arrogant conduct against 23 boys is absolutely ridiculous and unnecessary." REUTERS



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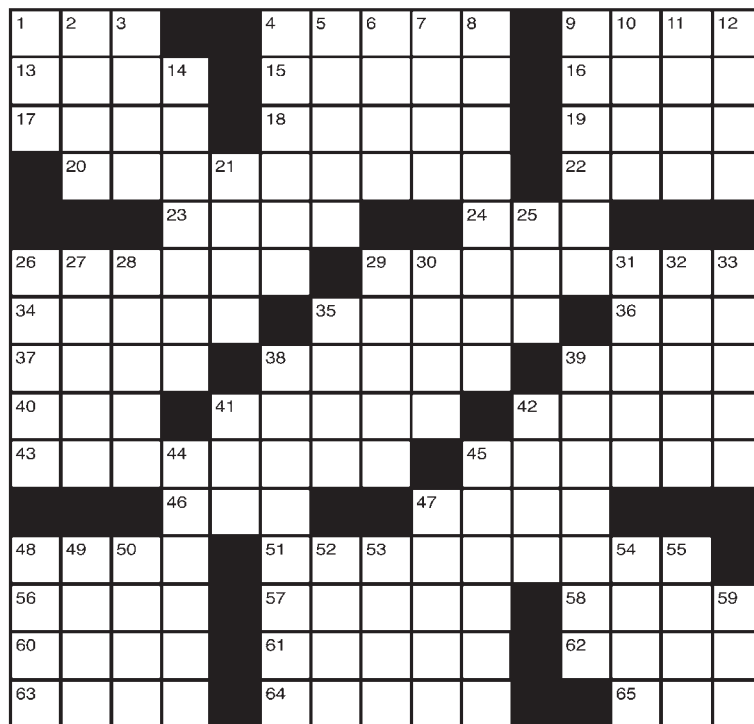
1 Fraternity letter  
4 \_\_\_ one's time; waits  
9 Bathtub ring, for example  
13 Grooves  
15 "Don't spend \_\_\_ in one place"  
16 Cod or Canaveral  
17 \_\_\_ in a blue moon; rarely  
18 Warm jacket  
19 Hilarious person  
20 Lacking remorse  
22 Travel stops  
23 Woman  
24 Show-off  
26 Elevator alternative  
29 Masters of small ships  
34 Foot locker  
35 Thick string  
36 Pistol  
37 Ladder step  
38 Part of a fork  
39 Sort; variety  
40 Put on an \_\_\_; be insincere  
41 Melon or pumpkin

42 Traditional Sioux home  
43 Bugged  
45 Placard  
46 Damp  
47 Use a sieve  
48 Mongolian desert  
51 Problem with doublespeak  
56 Log splitters  
57 For the time \_\_\_; temporarily  
58 Nourish  
60 \_\_\_ as a pin  
61 Oversize  
62 Period of time  
63 Wildebeests  
64 Concluded  
65 Bashful

## DOWN

1 In favor of  
2 Phoenix team  
3 Reason to apply calamine lotion  
4 Two-footed creatures  
5 Florence's land  
6 Be bold  
7 BPOE members  
8 Cutting with rough wide strokes  
9 Pinch pennies

10 Abel's killer  
11 "Once \_\_\_ a time..."  
12 New York team  
14 Making airtight  
21 Gospel writer  
25 Ridicule  
26 Part of a purse, usually  
27 Cease-fire  
28 Female relatives  
29 Knight's weapon  
30 Charitable  
31 Cairo's nation  
32 India's dollar  
32 Look of contempt  
35 Factual  
38 Easily carried  
39 Bear witness under oath  
41 Seventh letter  
42 Health nut's lunch  
44 Swivels  
45 \_\_\_ out; overate  
47 Burn slightly  
48 Band of hoodlums  
49 Plow pullers  
50 Actor Bridges  
52 Cruel  
53 Wren or robin  
54 Golf shop purchase  
55 Slangy reply  
59 Help with the dishes



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Club  
Driver  
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Par  
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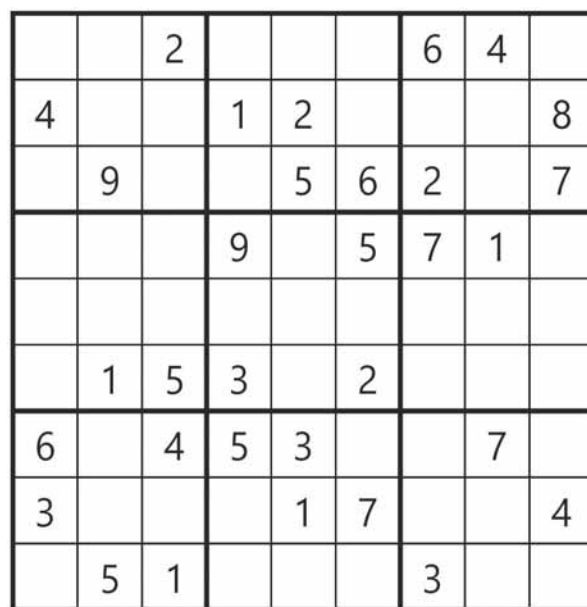
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